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In re Patent Application of:
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For: PHOTOTHERMOGRAPHIC MATERIAL

Examiner: T. Chea

PEITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3)
FOR ACCEPTANCE OF UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3), Applicants hereby petition to accept an unintentionally delayed claim to priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of U.S. Application No. 09/953,958, filed September 18, 2001, and JP P2000-281809 filed September 18, 2000. The entire delay between the present date and the claim to priority was unintentional.

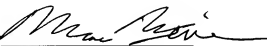
It is believed that the requirements under 37 C.F.R. § 1.178(a)(3)(i)-(iii) have been satisfied. Acceptance and granting of this Petition are respectfully requested.

The fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(t) in the amount of \$1,370.00 is submitted herewith.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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